

West Chester, PA -- On Friday, March 16, Congressman Joe Sestak (PA-07), a member of the US House's Education and Labor Committee, will hold the second installment of a two-part Education Summit series. The second Summit will explore the challenges facing our Higher Education system and Advanced Training programs. The Summit will be held at West Chester University's Swope Music Building and Performing Arts Center Auditorium. The event will provide an opportunity for education stakeholders in the 7th district to discuss key higher educational issues with Congressional lawmakers and policy experts.

Included invitees are: Presidents of universities, colleges, and community colleges along with Deans of Education, Engineering, and others; advanced training schools; chambers of commerce; businesses; unions; regional development groups; principals; and superintendents of high schools; among others.

The event will consist of panel discussions on:

1. The Needs of the Workforce
2. Advanced Training
3. Higher Education
4. Creating a Link Between Affordable Higher Education, Advanced Training and Industry

Special guest panelists will include Congressman Ruben Hinojosa, the Chairman of the US House Subcommittee on Higher Education, Lifelong Learning and Competitiveness and US House Majority Leader Steny Hoyer.

Joe will be turning his Summit's reports into legislation.

**Who:** Congressman Joe Sestak; Chairman of the Higher Education Subcommittee Ruben Hinojosa; U.S. House Majority Leader Steny Hoyer; Presidents of universities, colleges, and community colleges along with Deans of Education, Engineering, and others; advanced training schools; Chambers of Commerce; businesses; unions; regional development groups; principals; and superintendents of high schools; among others.

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**When:** Friday, March 16, 2007, from 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.

Please RSVP to Courtney Mengel at 610-892-8623.

*Born and raised in Delaware County, former 3-star Admiral Joe Sestak served in the Navy for 31 years and now serves as the Representative from the 7th District of Pennsylvania. He led a series of operational commands at sea, including Commander of an aircraft carrier battle group of 30 U.S. and allied ships with over 15,000 sailors and 100 aircraft that conducted operations in Afghanistan and Iraq. After 9/11, Joe was the first Director of "DeepBlue," the Navy's anti-terrorism unit that established strategic and operations policies for the "Global War on Terrorism." He served as President Clinton's Director for Defense Policy at the National Security Council in the White House, and holds a Ph.D. in Political Economy and Government from Harvard University. According to the office of the House Historian, Joe is the highest-ranking former military officer ever to serve in the U.S. House of Representatives.*

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